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DATE: April 14, 2009

TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
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SUBJECT: Werner Gourmet Meat Snacks Inc. -Pistachio Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Pistachio Recall; Due to Salmonella; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in Indiana. These products were distributed to retail stores nationwide. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Werner Gourmet Meat Snacks Inc. Initiates Nationwide Recall of Garlic Flavored Pistachio and Jalapeno Flavored Pistachio Items Because of Possible Health Risk

Contact:

Ken Werner
1-800-459-6420

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- April 9, 2009 -- Werner Gourmet Meat Snacks Inc. of Tillamook Oregon is voluntarily recalling **Garlic Flavored Pistachio and Jalapeno Flavored Pistachio Items**, because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*. These products were manufactured using pistachios recalled by Setton Pistachio of Terra Bella, Inc. because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*.

Salmonella is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

These products were distributed to retail stores nationwide.

The following is a list of the product names UPC numbers and best by dates of the products affected by this recall. The UPC number is on the back of the package near the top on the right. The best by date is on the front of the package near

the bottom. These products are packaged in clear film packages with a label that reads "Werner Gourmet Snacks" at the top of the package and have a net wt. of 2.5 ounces._

Product name	UPC#	Best By Dates
Garlic Pistachios	7 09972 80074 7	Jan. 5 2010 through April 1 2010
Jalapeno Pistachios	7 09972 80097 6	Jan. 5 2010 through April 1 2010

No known illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this these products. The recall was initiated after it was determined that the garlic flavored pistachios and jalapeno flavored pistachios used in these products have been recalled by Setton Pistachio of Terra Bella, Inc. Werner Gourmet Meat Snacks Inc. has informed FDA of its actions and is fully cooperating with the Agency. **Werner Brand roasted salted pistachios are not affected by this recall.**

Consumers who have purchased any of the recalled products are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-800-459-6420 between the hours of 7:30 am and 4:30 pm Monday through Friday Pacific Daylight Time.

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Photos: Product Labels

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